Mordern technology processing of milk

5480. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:
MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is ample scope for introducing modern technology in the processing of milk, annd

(b) if so, the action proposed to be taken by Government to improve milk processing facilities in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b) The introduction of modern technology in the processing of milk is a continuous process. The standards of some milk processing plants in India are comparable to any advanced country in the world.

Fulfilment of promises made by Pepsi Company

5481. SHRI O. P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pepsi has failed to fulfil promises it made at the time of entry into the country;

(b) if so, the details of the promises made by the Pepsi Company;

(c) the promises which the Pepsi has not fulfilled; and

(d) the reaction of Government there to?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) to (d) The issue of alleged violation of terms and conditions by M|s. Pepsi Foods Ltd. in terms of the Foreign Collaboration Approval|Letter of Intent wtih regard to export obligation is under examination in consultation with the office of the Director General of Foreign Trade, Ministry of Commerce.

Investment proposals f - -etting up Processed Food Industries

5482. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have received a staggering number of investment proposals of setting up Processed Food Industries in the country particularly in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposals, including those received from the foreign companies; and

(c) what steps Government contemplate to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) to (c) During the post liberalisation period, 3101 Industrial Entrepreneur Memoranda (IEMs) envisaging an investment of Rs. 39,099 crores have been received upto March, 95 for setting up of food processing industries. Out of these, 268 IEMs envisaging an investment of Rs. 2592 crores have been received from the State of Madhya Pradesh. Apart from these, 587 proposals envisaging an investment of Rs. 7679 crores including foreign investment of Rs. 2528 crores have been approved for setting up of 100 per cent Export Oriented|Joint Venture|Industrial Licence food processing units. Out of these, 15 proposals envisaging an investment of Rs. 151 crores including foreign investment of Rs. 9 crores have been approved for the state of Madhya Pradesh. Normally, it takes 2-3 years for implementing the project.

Fishing by foreign ships

5483. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which

appeared in the Times of India dated the 22nd February, 1995 that in the dead of night some foreign boats regularly nip into the Indianseas in search of prized catch Tuna, which can easily earn 1,500 a ton; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government and the steps taken to keep a strict/ vigil in the poaching areas in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Coast Guard ships and air-craft are regularly deployed at sea to patrol our sensitive areas in the Indian ocean. The Coast Guard apprehended 27 vessels fishing unauthorisedly in Indian waters during 1994-95.

Transportation of sea fish by rail

5484. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated a scheme to transport sea-fish from deep sea fishing vessels to inland cities by appropriate rail transport;

(b) whether any negotiations have been conducted with the Railways; and

(c) what are the details of steps proposed to arrange transport infrastructure for moving sea fish from Andhra Coastal areas to North India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b) Adequate arrangements are already available for transportation of sea fish, including fish from deep sea fishing vessels, to inland cities through luggage van services of mail/express and superfast trains from production areas to consumption centres.

(c) No specific proposal was received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh for arranging transport infrastructure from Andhra Pradesh coastal areas to North India. However, under the scheme on setting up of infrastructural facilities for preservation and processing of fish, 50 per cent of the capital cost is admissible as grant in aid for procuring insulated/refrigerated trucks/van for transportation of fish from landing centre/production centre to consuming centre.

White Paper on Incidents of sabotage annd Terrorist Killing

5485. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item published in the Hindustan Times dated the 16th and 17th April, 1995 captioned "Four killed in sporadic violence in Tamil Nadu" and "Killing, blast, keep T.N. tense" respectively;

(b) whether Government are also aware of a recent report by the Republicans of USA to the effect that ISI of Pakistan was set to extend its sphere of activities beyond "J&K and Punjab";

(c) if so, whether Government of India would come out with a "White Paper" on all incidents of sabotage and terrorist killings outside Punjab and J&K like Tamil Nadu, U.P., North Eastern States, for the last two years till date; and

(d) what remedial steps Government of India propose to take to check ill designs of ISI of Pakistan, who are bent upon destablizing India, by creating communal disturbances other sabotage and terrorist killings in the country, both at the national and international levels?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.